AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1. (currently amended) A cell comprising a functional oligomeric phycobiliprotein comprising a fusion protein comprising a functional displayed domain and a functional phycobiliprotein domain, wherein the fusion protein further comprises (a) a specific binding moiety selected from a streptavidin biotin-binding moiety, a biotinylated or biotinylatable moiety, and an antigen binding immunoglobulin moiety; or (b) a protease cleavage site between the displayed domain and the phycobiliprotein domain.
- 2. (original) The cell of claim 1, wherein the phycobiliprotein domain is a natural phycobiliprotein domain.
- 3. (original) The cell of claim 1, wherein the functional oligomeric phycobiliprotein is an α,β heterodimer.
- 4. (original) The cell of claim 1, wherein the displayed domain comprises a moiety selected from the group consisting of an affinity tag, an oligomerization moiety, a specific binding moiety, and a signaling moiety.
- 5. (original) The cell of claim 1, wherein the fusion protein further comprises a specific binding moiety selected from a streptavidin biotin-binding moiety, a biotinylated or biotinylatable moiety, and an antigen binding immunoglobulin moiety.
- 6. (original) The cell of claim 1, wherein the fusion protein further comprises a linker peptide between the displayed domain and the phycobiliprotein domain.
- 7. (original) The cell of claim 1, wherein the fusion protein further comprises a protease cleavage site between the displayed domain and the phycobiliprotein domain.
- 8. (original) The cell of claim 1, wherein the phycobiliprotein domain comprises at least one functionally attached bilin.

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- 9. (original) The cell of claim 1, wherein the displayed domain is refractive to expression in *E. coli*.
- 10. (original) The cell of claim 1, wherein the oligomeric phycobiliprotein is assembled in a functional phycobilisome.
- 11. (original) The cell of claim 1, wherein the oligomeric phycobiliprotein provides a fluorescent tag.
- 12. (currently amended) The cell of claim 1, wherein the displayed domain is substantially transparent to wavelengths of visible light absorbed by phycobiliproteins.
- 13. (currently amended) The cell of claim 1, wherein the displayed domain is substantially transparent to wavelengths of energy emitted by the phycobiliprotein domain.
- 14. (original) The cell of claim 1, wherein the cell is or is a progeny of a cell which naturally expresses a phycobiliprotein.
- 15. (original) The cell of claim 1, wherein the cell is a cyanobacterium.
- 16. (original) The cell of claim 1, wherein the cell is a rhodophyte (red algae).
- 17. (original) The cell of claim 1, wherein the cell is a cryptomonad.
- 18. (original) The cell of claim 1, wherein the cell is an Anabaena cell.
- 19. (original) The cell of claim 1, which comprises a polynucleotide encoding the fusion protein, and produces the oligomeric phycobiliprotein.
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